

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :
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Peter BRITTINGHAM, et al. :
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Serial No.: 09/654,949 : Group Art Unit: 3715
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Filed: September 1, 2000 : Examiner: Chanda L. Harris

Title: COMPUTER-BASED TEST-ITEM GENERATION AND CLONING

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment has been filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination in the above-identified application in response to a Final Office action dated March 7, 2006 and an Advisory Action dated May 23, 2006. The following remarks and amendments are respectfully submitted.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 4.